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Re:

U.S. Serial No. 09/805,455, filed March 14, 2001

Entitled "ISOLATED HUMAN RAS-LIKE PROTEINS, NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES ENCODING THESE HUMAN RAS-LIKE PROTEINS, AND

USES THEREOF"

Atty. Docket No.: CL001165

A Response to a Final Office Action in the above-identified application follows. No fee is due for this filing.

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Weiniu GAN et al.

Art Unit: 1634

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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231 by facsimile

Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action from Examiner Fredman mailed on March 20, 2003 for the above referenced application. Applicants request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the application as follows:

## In the Claims

Please amend claim 4 as follows:

- 4. (Twice Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule consisting of a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of:
- (a) a transcript/cDNA sequence that encodes a protein comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2;
  - (b) a nucleotide sequence consisting of SEQ ID NO:1;